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## Newsletter for January 2008

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Howdy!



It's January, time reflect on the past year and contemplate on what's ahead in 2008. Tonight we're starting the New Year back at the Sweeney School. The holiday season is behind us and now it's time to get our behinds back into shape after the endless orgy of holiday cakes, candies and feasts. And there is no better, or at least no more fun way, to do that than to get in a square and dance!

### December Dance at St. Thomas Aquinas

After being rejected by two school systems in December our payers were answered when we were able to use the St. Thomas Aquinas Church in Storrs on the UConn campus, thanks to our club President Alice Kolega. It is a nice facility and we had a good turnout for the event. We may schedule dances there in the future.

### Round Dance in Springfield for Zoe & Jerry

On New Year's Eve Bev Mackay hosted a Round Dance party in Springfield, MA to ring in the New Year. The dance was dedicated to Zoe & Jerry Leibowitz in recognition of their 45<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Many attended, many toasted the happy couple and we add our own congrats to Zoe & Jerry.

### Hayloft Sponsoring Mystery Trip

Hayloft Steppers are sponsoring a Mystery Trip dance on Saturday, January 26. Dancers will meet at the Hayloft at 4:45 PM, board the bus and stop for dinner on the way. The dance ends at 10:30 PM with the bus arriving back at the Hayloft

before Midnight. To sign-up contact: Moe at 508-867-8036 or [brackenm@charter.com](mailto:brackenm@charter.com). We have been assured that the dance is NOT in Connecticut.

### **Travel Nights/Banner Raids for January/February**

There is no Official Travel Night, but here are several dances of interest in the area (unless otherwise noted dances begin at 8 p.m. with Early Rounds at 7:30):

**Saturday, January 19, 2008:** Manchester. Hawaiian Night. Caller: Dennis Marsh; Cuer: Kathy Bryant.

**Friday, January 25.** South Windsor at the Powder Mill Barn: Snowflake Ball. Caller: Matt Auger; Cuer: Phil Gatchell

**Saturday, January 26:** Manchester. Causal dress. Caller: Todd Fellegy; Cuer: Kathy Bryant

**Saturday, February 2:** Central Valley. Caller: Lenny Stratton; Cuer: Bev Mackay.

**Sunday, February 3:** Cheshire Cats. Caller: Rusty McLean; Cuer: Steve Garrett

**Saturday, February 9:** Glastonbury. Caller: Bill Mager; Cuer: Steve Garrett:

### **Bev Mackay Round Dance Lessons**

Bev is offering Round Dance lessons at the Farmington Community Center (where Central Valley Dances) on Tuesday evenings beginning on February 12. Beginner lessons are from 6:30-7:30 with intermediate and advanced lessons/dances following the rest of the evening. For more information contact Bev at

[bnbrounds@comcast.net](mailto:bnbrounds@comcast.net)

### **CASDC News**

*Courtesy of Frank Lussier*

Stu Summers will call **Rocking Roosters** February 1 dance and not Derek Page as previously listed.

Sandy Corey will call and Jo Yakimowski will cue **Friendly Squares** January 26 dance.

I finally heard from Friendly Squares. They are still in operation. I expect to receive their schedule soon and I will post it in my February Notes.

**Sound Steppers** is sponsoring Beginners Lessons and Workshops at 7 PM on Wednesday, January 16, 23 & 30 at Goodwin School in Old Saybrook with Ed Ruddy calling.

The **5th Annual T 'n' T Jubilee** will be held on February 15 & 16 at the Mill a -Round Dance Center in Manchester, NH with Marilyn Rivenburg and Phil Gatchell cueing. Info: Contact Moe Bracken at Hayloft Steppers at 508-867-8036 & brackenm@charter.com.

**2007-2008 Quiet Corner Contra Dance season**

Dances are held at the Hampton Congregational Church at 256 Main St in Hampton, CT (on Rte. 97). Dances begin at 8 p.m. wit beginners' lessons from 7:30-8.

02/02/08 Tom Roby calling with GET REEL! playing

03/01/08 Christine Hale calling with Becky Miller and Norb Spencer playing

04/05/08 Steve Holland calling with Polymorphous String Band playing

05/03/08 Bill Fischer calling with TBD playing

06/07/08 Dan Pearl calling with TBD playing

**Have a Heart--Come Dance with us in February!**

Our February dance is scheduled for Friday, February 15 at the Sweeney School. Caller: Jim DeNigris; Cuer: Kathy Bryant. Hosts: Chuck & Noreen Morgan. This is the Pizza Night Dance. The club will provide Pizza and soda. Veggies: Joan W.

**March on Straight Thru to April**

We will not have a dance in March. Our April dance is scheduled for Friday, April 18 at the Sweeney School. Caller: John Hendron; Cuer: Bev Mackay. The hosts are Bob & Gloria Lee. Sandwiches: Zoe Leibowitz & Noreen Morgan; Desserts: Alice Kolega and Elaine Macke; Fruit OR Veggies: Fred Rick